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## How Will You Spend Your Summer?

~Kay Waterloo, Editor

The glorious season of summer – it is finally here! Many of us have already made plans for family vacations in exciting or relaxing places. However, with the escalating price of gas many of us will be staying closer to home this summer. Have you thought about what you can do – genealogically speaking – with the family (or even by yourself) at locations within a short distance from where you live? Here are a few suggestions that you can look into where you live.

If your home is in or near the town where your ancestors resided, you may enjoy visiting sites where you can learn more about your family: the church where your family worshipped, the church or city cemetery, the town library or town hall, or even the actual family home. Look for historical markers along the roadside. You may not learn about your very own family this way, but you could learn something about what the town was like when your older generations lived there. Do you have senior relatives who are living in retirement or nursing homes who might not only enjoy a visit from you, but might be willing to be interviewed? Are any patriotic events taking place, like concerts or historical reenactments?

Since my home is near Indianapolis, I did some searching on the Internet for places where I could combine a little vacation time with some historical and genealogical research. I found many sites well worth visiting.<sup>1</sup> Here are a few examples:

- Conner Prairie is an outdoor history museum where my grandchildren and I can experience 19<sup>th</sup> century American culture and imagine what our ancestors experienced, especially when resettling in a new state as many of them did.
- The home of our 23<sup>rd</sup> President, Benjamin Harrison, is now a historical landmark that offers guided tours. Touring it made me want to learn which of my ancestors were alive during Harrison's term of office.
- Crown Hill Cemetery has one of the best walking tours in the city, where I can view the final resting places of dignitaries such as Pres. Benjamin Harrison, Eli Lilly, James Whitcomb Riley, Booth Tarkington, Frederick Duesenberg, and even John Dillinger.
- The Congressional Medal of Honor Memorial honors 3459 Medal of Honor recipients ranging from the Civil War to Somalia, along with some recorded accounts of their service. Did any of my ancestors receive military honors such as this one?
- The Indiana State Library houses extensive genealogical and Indiana history collections including the most complete Indiana newspaper collection in the world.
- And if I don't mind a little longer drive, the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne is home to one of the best compilations of genealogical research materials in the country.

So, my friends, that is just a sampling of what I can access here in Indiana. What does your area offer for your entertainment, education or family research? Why not Google your town, or your ancestor's home town, and see what you can find? And don't forget to include your children or grandchildren on your adventure.

Source: 1. [www.indy.org](http://www.indy.org)



## Announcing Our New GFA Director, Carl Hoffstedt

The Goodrich Family Association is pleased to announce Carl Hoffstedt as our new Outreach Director on March 27, 2008. We heartily welcome, Carl and look forward to working with him. Below is a brief biography that Carl has shared with us.

I was born in Little Falls, Minnesota and raised on a farm near Randall, Minnesota. After graduating from Little Falls High School, I attended Macalaster College in St. Paul for two years and graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1966 with a degree in Civil Engineering. I was employed by the MN Department of Transportation for 34 years prior to retirement. I am married with two grown children. Hobbies are genealogy, of course, fishing, sports and cemeteries.

My mother, Cora Goodrich (1903-1981) started working on her Goodrich genealogy in the 1970s and I picked it up a bit in the 1980s with heavy emphasis starting in 2002. A *Descendants of William, The Elder*, Goodrich document was completed featuring the ancestors and descendants of my grandfather, John Addison Goodrich (1850-1935).

I would like, someday, to tie all Goodriches in MN to the Goodrich Family in America book by Lafayette Wallace Case.

~Carl Hoffstedt



## Brothers John and Ensign William Goodrich of Wethersfield: The Lost Years 1635-1643

~Stephen Dean Goodrich, Ph.D.

In genealogical compilations of Ensign William and Sarah (Marvin) Goodrich, the arrival years of William (1646-1648) and brother John (1643-1644) in Wethersfield, CT are based on:

- 10 Nov 1643: John Goodrich fined for co-signing a paper defaming Rev. Henry Smith.<sup>1</sup>
- 16 Mar 1644: John Goodrich purchased a Wethersfield homestead from Clement Chaplin.<sup>2</sup>
- 03 Jan 1646: William Goodrich purchased a Wethersfield homestead from Thomas Ufford.<sup>3</sup>
- 04 Oct 1648: William Goodrich married Sarah Marvin in Hartford, CT.<sup>4</sup>

John and William are also listed as 1635-1636 Wethersfield arrivals from Watertown, MA:<sup>5,6</sup>

Robert Abbott	John Goodrich	Henry Palmer	Edmond Sherman
Caleb Benjamin	William Goodrich	William Palmer	Samuel Sherman
Robert Bates	John Hall	John Pierce	Rev. John Sherman
Roger Betts	George Hubbard	Edward Pierce	Samuel Smith
Samuel Clark	Samuel Hubbard	Thurston Raynor	William Swayne
Robert Coe	Lewis Jones	John Reynolds	John Thomson
Rev. Richard Denton	John Livermore	Robert Reynolds	Jonas Weede
Leonard Dix	Edward Mason	Lt. Robert Seeley	Thomas Whitmore

Ensign William Goodrich is not William Goodridge of Watertown, who immigrated in 1634 with wife Margaret and daughter Mary. Admitted MA freeman 18 May 1642; William Goodridge owned lands first granted in 1636 and 1637 to John Goodridge. John Goodridge appeared in no more Watertown records before moving to Wethersfield,<sup>7</sup> or dying in 1644 on a return voyage to England.<sup>8</sup> The latter is inconsistent with John Goodrich of Wethersfield, who died in 1680.<sup>9</sup>

Thurston Raynor of Elmsett, Suffolk, England, one of my 8-g-grandfathers, provides a stepwise illustration of a proven arrival in Wethersfield, CT from Watertown, MA by 1636. Thurston, his wife Elizabeth, their five children ages 1-13, and Thurston's orphaned nephew Edward Raynor, age 10, departed Ipswich, Suffolk, England on the *Elizabeth*, arrived in Boston in July 1634, and settled in Watertown.<sup>10</sup> Samuel and Mary Raynor, parents of Edward Raynor, had both died in 1632,<sup>11</sup> as had John and Margerie Goodrich, parents of John and Ensign William Goodrich.<sup>12</sup> First wife Elizabeth and eldest son Thurston, Jr. died soon after their arrival in America.<sup>10</sup>

The Rev. Richard Denton and six other men departed Watertown, MA 29 May 1635 and settled in Wethersfield, CT.<sup>13</sup> Thurston Raynor and his family also followed Rev. Denton to Wethersfield, apparently before the 01 Sep 1636 session of the Wethersfield Particular Court,<sup>14</sup> in which Thurston was tasked with tending and harvesting the crops of the late John Oldham, the first of nine adventurer-settlers of Wethersfield, CT by 1634.<sup>15</sup> Oldham was a trader attacked and murdered by Indians in July 1636,<sup>13</sup> a factor contributing to the Pequot War of 1637. After Thurston Raynor married Martha Wood in 1638,<sup>10</sup> his family then followed the congregation of Rev. Denton in 1641 to Stamford, CT along with more than half the population of Wethersfield, taking the town-church records of Wethersfield (1635-1641) with them through an agreement negotiated with those who remained in Wethersfield, including John and William Goodrich.<sup>16</sup>

Land records place John Goodrich in Wethersfield before 1643.<sup>17,18</sup> The Hartford General Court had mandated land records 10 Oct 1639;<sup>19</sup> the first Wethersfield land inventory was submitted on 24 Feb 1640/1 by Town Clerk Matthew Mitchell.<sup>20</sup> Thomas Wright had compiled a 1636-1639 list of current and former proprietors of Manhannock Island near Wethersfield in 1640, described by Sherman Adams, Esq.<sup>21</sup> Original proprietors included Clement Chaplin<sup>17</sup> and John Goodrich.<sup>18</sup>

Clement Chaplin, appointed a guardian of John and William Goodrich in their father's will,<sup>22</sup> arrived in Boston on the *Elizabeth and Ann* in 1635 and settled in Cambridge, MA.<sup>23</sup> His wife Sarah Hinds was a daughter of a goldsmith in Bury St. Edmunds, England.<sup>23,24</sup> Chaplin arrived in Hartford, CT with the party of Rev. Thomas Hooker in 1636 and bought a homestead,<sup>23-25</sup> but settled in Wethersfield<sup>23-25</sup> as Ruling Elder,<sup>26</sup> owned 1,200 acres of land,<sup>27</sup> and clashed often with Rev. Henry Smith<sup>1,26</sup> and with Matthew Mitchell,<sup>28</sup> the second-largest landowner of 900 acres.<sup>27</sup>

Ensign William Goodrich was "a hero of the Pequot War of 1637," to quote Adams.<sup>29</sup> The Hartford General Court on 08 Mar 1637 had mandated military service for men above age 16.<sup>30</sup> Ensign William Goodrich, baptized 13 Feb 1621/2,<sup>31</sup> was one of 26 from Wethersfield<sup>32,33,34</sup> involved in capturing the Pequot Indian fort at Mystic, CT on 26 May 1637.<sup>35</sup> The 14 Nov 1637 Hartford General Court had allocated 1 shilling and 3 pence per day for prior military service.<sup>36</sup> Did Ensign William Goodrich collect? Was it noted in town records lost to Stamford, CT?<sup>16</sup>

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**Genealogy** - You know you are addicted when you have traced your ancestral lines all the way back to Adam and Eve, have it fully documented, and still don't want to quit.



### **Goodrich Family History Project**

*~Delores Goodrick Beggs*

Thank you again, to those who sent their Goodrich and variant spelling ancestry information to be added to our Goodrich Family Association files. Our project continues as we add corrections, missing information, and fill in gaps in the Goodrich family history. Your ancestry will assist us in making the Goodrich Family Association files THE standard for Goodrich and variant spelling information.

We are especially seeking information about Goodriches born after The Goodrich Family in America, 1889 was compiled, and Virginia Goodrich Families.

If you know which ancestor yours connect to, please indicate the correct GFA web site LWC file number or page number and ancestor identification number in The Goodrich Family in America, edited by L. W. Case, M. D.

Your ancestry, together with the sources, can be emailed to me at [gfagenealogy@yahoo.com](mailto:gfagenealogy@yahoo.com)



### **A Genie's Place in a History Class**

*~Michelle Hubenschmidt, NBCT, M.ED*

As an Historian and Teacher, I often hear my students lamenting, "I hate history" or "History is not my subject," and finally, my personal favorite, "History has NOTHING to do with me, why do I need to know it!" History IS relevant to our lives, yet the teacher challenge is getting my students to see that. With that end in mind, I have incorporated my genealogy research into my classroom and history lessons.

It all began one Saturday afternoon while watching a University of Michigan football game. I needed to brush up on some Civil War knowledge for my Advanced Placement History class and stumbled upon a list of Union soldiers from Michigan. As I scanned the list I noticed my maternal grandmother's Rynex name! Strange that no one in the family had mentioned or knew of their service. Intrigued and excited, I labored through the next 48 hours conducting research in which I discovered this lines' progenitor in 1735. The following Monday I regaled my students with stories of my ancestors; Valentine's and Johanne's involvement in the French and Indian War; Johanne's and his son's participation in the American Revolution; land grants and migrations out

of New York to Hillsdale, Michigan; Civil War battles, and World War I. That research began the two-year odyssey to track down the documents for submission and subsequent acceptance into the Daughters of the American Revolution. That line completed I am now working on my Goodrich and Whipple trees, each providing incredulous accounts of pioneering, harrowing bravery, political participation with a possible murder mystery or two.

My genie journey is an integral part of my classroom experience. This drama that we call “American History” is also MY drama and MY history. It is the story of my people and yours, how they worked this land and shaped our nation. As I teach any event, epoch or era I incorporate my ancestor’s lives, stories or details into those lessons. When studying pre-Revolution Colonial life, my students read my copy of Elijah Goodrich’s will and inventory. We study what goods a household has, the meaning of a “wife’s third” and law of primogeniture.

My ancestors provide my students with wonderful primary resources when studying the founding of our nation and the struggle for Independence. Rynex brothers fight with 2<sup>nd</sup> Albany County militia in Ticonderoga, one being captured by Indian Joseph Brant and sent to Montreal for a year. In that time, the local Masons provide monetary relief to his family. Nathaniel Whipple and his sons are members of the Cheshire County New Hampshire Sons of Liberty and Committee of Correspondence entrusted to raise munitions and supplies for the cause. Jesse Goodrich fights with the Berkshire Militia. I found his grave last summer in the Old Centerburg Cemetery in Hiliar, Ohio. The Civil War is a daunting topic to tackle – politics, battles, economy, death and survival – how does one do the topic justice in just a couple of short weeks? I bring in the lives (and pension files) of my Civil War ancestors: Henry Rynex who is crippled by a falling horse in the Battle of Franklin and endures a crushed left side and two cataract surgeries. His youngest daughter is born “helpless and dumb” a condition that Henry’s doctor blames on his “lameness”; Sylvester Goodrich deserts outside Nashville, is captured, sent to Fort Pillow and mysteriously dies; Henry Goodrich enlists for several years and is killed in the Battle of New Orleans; William P. Goodrich enlists and returns within the year, discharged due to camp fever from which he suffers the rest of his life. My students study and follow these battles, the unit movements that each of those men march through.

My unit on Westward Expansion has my mother (65) recounting her stories of listening to her great-grandmothers’ tales of coming to Michigan in covered wagons, using oxen, chopping trees, co-existing with Indiana and always fearful in the 1840’s. Harry H. Whipple could not wait for America’s entry in to World War I, so he enlists with Canadian forces, marries an English woman, and after, must re-apply for American citizenship at war’s end. World War II’s Battle of the Coral Sea finds my Grandfather Whipple on the USS Princeton which is attacked with over a thousand lost. We use my ancestor’s stories for Abolition, political leanings, religious revivals etc., all information gleaned from obituaries, church records, local newspapers and county histories.

I am fortunate that I have two side-by-side bulletin boards that measure twenty feet of my room. One board is for our Constitution, Declaration of Independence and Bill of Rights. My Whipple family has two signers of the Declaration and their pictures are on that board, along with the homes of many of our founders that I have visited. My other board is Mz. Hubby’s Genie Journey board which displays these three lines, their stories and many artifacts or pictures. It presents the visual the students need for mental placement on a historical timeline. At any time, students can see which ancestors were living during any epoch we are discussing.



All of my stories have inspired many of my students to begin their own genie journeys. Two of my students, one black and one white, have spent much time with me researching their roots. In the last month, we have found Michael’s progenitor arrival in 1902 from Sweden. Terrence has found that his Brown family line is emancipated and freed, living on their own land in northern Florida by 1850. He has become so encouraged by his research that he has begun the process of documenting, interviewing, photographing his elders, his family, their graves, their stories. His family is planning a research trip to their northern Florida area, an effort that may gain them documentation proof for “Pioneer” status.

Not too long ago, I took my niece with me to visit my maternal grandmother who was born in 1917. We sat at the table with my uncle and looked at Gram’s photo scrapbook which contained pictures of HER great grandparents, some of whom were born in the 1830’s. I drew a schematic for my niece and pointed out to her that she is looking at seven generations of people in front of her! I took pictures of that moment, and thanks to digital cameras, I took pictures of all those pictures and created a short PowerPoint for all my classes. I wanted them to also experience the power of seeing seven generations at one table which morphed in to a “People’s History” unit where student’s collect family data and genealogy. Our mantra for this last semester has been “Get their stories, get their stories, get their stories!” Unfortunately, my grandmother who was the inadvertent inspiration for them, passed shortly after that visit and I received the phone call of her passing while teaching that class. We were all sad, but as a student said, I got her stories and I share them often, which means her spirit lives on. Indeed it does. ☺

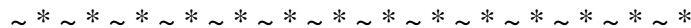


**Reunions**

*~Our thanks to Marjorie Lehman for providing this information.*

The descendants of Noah and Charlotte (Lane) Goodrich<sup>1</sup> of Owego, New York are having a reunion on July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at Cindy and Ben Goodrich’s home at their farm pond. Their address is 443 Glenmary Drive, Owego, New York 13827. It is bring-your-own chairs/dish to pass/your own drinks and any pictures and stories you would like to share with others. The time is from noon to 11 PM. For further information you can contact Cindy Goodrich at 607-687-1719 or Marjorie Lehman at 607-478-8233. Looking forward to seeing a lot of old friends and relatives.

<sup>1</sup> *The Goodrich Family in America*, edited by Lafayette Case, Chicago-Fergus Printing Co. 1889, p 278, No. 2171



Please email our newsletter editor, Kay Waterloo at [kmw328@aol.com](mailto:kmw328@aol.com) if YOU have a Goodrich/Goodrick/Goodridge, etc. family reunion planned for this year. We usually post these reunions in either the June or September newsletter. Kay will need to know the family line that is involved, the location, date and time of the events, and a contact person for her or any other interested party to contact. If you have already had your reunion, we would be interested in receiving information about how it went, what you did, how many attended so that a follow-up report might be written. If you would like to write a brief article about your reunion, please contact Kay.





## Goodrich Surname DNA Project Update

~ Delores Goodrick Beggs  
Goodrich Surname DNA Project Group Manager

As I mention in the news section of the newsletter, researchers led by Dr. Hammer, Family Tree DNA's Chief Scientist, published the newly updated [Y chromosome haplogroup tree](#) in [Genome Research](#). The Phylogenetic Tree has been modified to include the latest new information. These changes apply to the haplogroups only, and as a result, the haplos on our Goodrich Surname Y-DNA chart have been updated. For example, the main Goodrich I section haplo now starts with E1b1 instead of E3b1. Y-DNA Project members can access the updated section of the Phylogenetic Tree from their personal pages. The updated group chart is now posted on the Results page at:

Goodrich DNA Project Site:

<http://www.worldfamilies.net/surnames/g/goodrich/>

While the name of the haplogroup a person belongs to may have changed, and will continue to change as more haplogroup branches are discovered and published, your actual Y-DNA testing results and interpretation remained the same.

On another subject, our latest Y-DNA discovery is the match between two descendants of Thomas Goodrich, b. 1614, of Old Rappahannock, Virginia, and the main Ens. William Goodrich group at the discriminating level of 67 markers! These matches resulted in the opening of a new investigation into the English ancestry of the Wethersfield immigrant brothers, William and John Goodrich. This investigation is being conducted by examination of the English wills and documents, including 500 Suffolk Parish Registers, and is still in progress; more about this in a later newsletter issue.

Our Goodrich Y-DNA Project now includes 30 participants, including 3 mtDNA (the maternal line test). mtDNA results are currently posted on the Misc. page.

The Y-DNA test is used for testing males only, but females can make use of this test if they can convince a male Goodrich relative to participate. The Y-DNA test uses information from the y-chromosome, which is passed from father to son, essentially unchanged.

We would like to see everyone's branches included in our Surname DNA Project. Contact me at [gfgenealogy@yahoo.com](mailto:gfgenealogy@yahoo.com) for more information.



## Have Passport, Will Travel - Goodrich Women

~by Delores Goodrick Beggs

In the 1800's American women, as well as men, took advantage of expanded seaports and passenger ship lines and traveled to other countries. These temporary (sometimes for years) absences from America can account for a number of gaps and outright disappearances of ancestors in family genealogy information. Below is a sampling of Goodrich women who traveled.

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**Adeline J. Goodrich**, born 19 Dec. 1843 in New Haven, CT, resident of New Haven, CT applied for a passport 22 Jan. 1897 when she was 54 years old. She lists her occupation as “Lady of Leisure.” Destination unspecified.

**Abbie Henderson Goodrich**, widow, was born 16 Oct. 1861 at Marblehead, MA; she resided at Boston, MA when she applied for a passport 20 Feb. 1920. Her deceased husband is listed as Wallad **Goodrich** born Canaan, Maine. She intended traveling to Cuba for pleasure, leaving from Key West Port in Feb. 1920.

**Della Goodrich**, born 5 Oct. 1873 at Mitchell’s Mills, PA, resided at Turtle Creek, PA when she applied for a passport 31 Jan. 1918. Her husband, **Augustus Goodrich**, born in Maine, died 1912. She resided in Guatemala, C. A. from 1913 – 1917. She listed her occupation as Missionary. She departed from the Port of New Orleans March 1, 1918.

**Edna Goodrich**, born 22 Dec. 1888 at Logansport, Indiana, resided at New York, New York when she applied for a passport 16 Jan. 1915 at age 26 years. She specified she was traveling to France on a pleasure trip.

**Miss Elizabeth L. Goodrich**, born 28 Nov. 1893 at Milwaukee, WI, still resided there when she applied for a passport 28 Aug. 1918 at age 30 years. She was the daughter of **William Osborne Goodrich**, born in Zilwaukee, WI. [Milwaukee?] She was traveling to France to do Relief Work.

**Ethel Goodrich**, born in Salt Lake City, UT, listed her residence as Manila, Pi when she applied for a passport at San Francisco, CA on 7 Nov. 1918. Her two sons were traveling with her; **Clay**, born in [not readable] 2 May 1904 and **William**, born in San Francisco, CA 17 April 1906. She resided in Guatemala 1901 – 1904. Her husband was listed as **Courtland L. Goodrich**, born in LA. Ethel and her sons departed the Port of San Francisco on the ship Korean 7 Dec. 1918 bound for P. I.

**Eleanor B. Goodrich** was born 30 Aug. 1897 at West Orange, New Jersey. Her legal residence was Brunswick, Maine, but she was living with her parents at Victor Hugo, Paris, France when she applied for a passport 30 July 1920. Her father is listed as **Dr. Chauncey W. Goodrich**, a minister born in Cleveland, Ohio, who resided in New Haven, CT 1874 – 1887. Eleanor lived in France 1904 – 1910, and again 1918 to the time she applied for the emergency passport in order to accompany her parents to Switzerland.

**Ina D. Goodrich** was born 9 Oct. 1866 at Lexington, KY. She resided at Kansas City, MO at the time she applied for a passport 14 Apr. 1909. She was the wife of **David M. Goodrich** of Kansas City, MO. She had no children. Her destination was not listed.

**Mabel D. Goodrich** was born 1 Nov. 1865 at Brooklyn, New York. She applied for a passport 23 Jun. 1888 in order to travel in a number of European countries, including England, France, Germany and Austria. **Henry W. Goodrich** vouched for her for passport purposes.

**Martha McClenahan Goodrich** was a single woman born 12 Aug. 1860 at Stockbridge, MA. She resided at New York, New York when she applied for a passport 11 May 1922. She was the daughter of **Charles Goodrich**, born at Brownhelm, OH, deceased. She planned to embark at the

Port of New York about July 1922 and travel to Switzerland and the British Isles. She listed her occupation as teacher.

**Mary Ida Goodrich** was born 16 Oct. 1872 at Nashua, NH. She resided at Concord, NH when she applied for a passport 6 Apr. 1922 at age 42. Her father was **James Brainard Goodrich** of Glastonbury, CT, deceased. She planned traveling to France on the Majestic 17 June 1922.

**Anna G. Stevens** was born 1 Mar. 1860 at Granby, MO. She resided at Logansport, IN when she applied for a passport on 24 Jul. 1919 at age 74 years. Her husband was **L. Benton Stevens**, born at Utica, OH; her father was **George Whitfield Goodrich**, born at Christiansburg, VA, deceased. She planned visiting her ill daughter in England, embarking on the Aquitania 28 Jul. 1919.

#### Source Information:

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Passport application records, often containing extra information about the passengers, were stored in the National Archives as General Records of the Department of State. Ancestry.com compiled this new database from four record sources.



### Goodrich Influence On Early American Firefighting

*~By Delores Goodrick Beggs*

With summer solstice coming up, we are reminded of the fire season and the heroic firefighters that battle the flames to protect our communities.

The earliest fire societies such as Boston's "Fire Clubs," concentrated on protecting their members, not the community at large. Benjamin Franklin, who helped draft the Declaration of Independence, and who studied electricity, was an early proponent for organized fire protection regardless of whose property was burning. He wrote about the need for organized fire protection for everyone in his newspaper, the Pennsylvania Gazette. After a devastating fire in Philadelphia in 1736, he called for citizens to join in, and the Union Fire Company, the first volunteer fire brigade was organized. Additional companies were formed as the idea became popular.

Brothers **Nathaniel and William Goodrich** joined together with eighteen other Erie County, N. Y. men on 17 March 1817 to organize Buffalo's first volunteer fire company. The group was memorialized by having had streets named for them. They fought fires for years with only leather buckets for equipment until they obtained a hand-operated pump in 1824, after which they were

known as Cataract Engine Company No. 1. Buffalo depended on volunteer firefighters until 1880 when a paid fire department was established.

Early fire hoses were made of lengths of leather sewn together. These earliest hoses were hard to handle and maintain in different kinds of weather, they stiffened and cracked. Later, metal rivets replaced stitching the hoses, allowing for greater delivery of water. After Charles Goodyear

discovered vulcanization, the Cincinnati Fire Department in 1871 used rubber hose reinforced with cotton ply developed by the **B. F. Goodrich** Company.

In 1920s Chicago, Fire Commissioner **Albert W. Goodrich**, established the nautical tradition of Chicago Fire Department lights. He applied red light on port (left side), green light on starboard (right side) to fire apparatus, a system that was also used to mark the bay doors at most Chicago fire stations, making it easy for persons to find the fire station at night to report fires. The idea of a green beacon light on fire engines spread to northern states.

**Albert W. Goodrich**, b. 24 Nov. 1868, d. 30 Mar. 1938, succeeded his father as President of the Goodrich Transportation Company founded by **Capt. Albert E. Goodrich**, born 11 Feb 1826, died 14 Sept. 1885, of Buffalo, N. Y. **Albert W. Goodrich** sold the business in 1920. He later followed up his attraction to the Chicago Fire Department and served as Fire Commissioner from 1927 to 1931. He listed his occupation as Commissioner, Fire Department in the 1930 census, when he was age 65.

When the 18 April 1906 earthquake struck the San Francisco, CA area, **Admiral Casper Frederick Goodrich** was commanding the Pacific Squadron. Communication was a pressing problem because the telegraph lines were down. Admiral C. F. Goodrich sent a torpedo boat to the Presidio at Monterey with great dispatch. As a result, Squadrons, Companies, Infantry, Cavalry, Artillery, and other needed military assistance arrived on site right away to work with the 100 troops of the Pacific Squadron.

**Grant Goodrich**, born 7 Aug. 1811 in New York, son of **Gideon and Eunice (Warner) Goodrich**, arrived in Chicago in May 1834 and was a member of the first fire company in 1835.

The Omaha, NE fire department was organized as “Fire King, No 1” on 10 July 1866 with **C. S. Goodrich**, Secretary. The company was disbanded that same day and re-formed as “Nebraska Engine Company No. 3.” **C. S. Goodrich** was a charter member of the new company. **Charles S. Goodrich**, born at Warren, PA 5 July 1842, married **Della Cole**, of Springfield, PA. They were parents of **Fred L. Goodrich**.

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## Tidbit

Samuel Griswold Goodrich (19 Aug 1793-09 May 1860) was an author better known as Peter Parley. Peter Parley was very popular in its day. His series of books for the young embraced geography, biography, history, science and miscellaneous tales. One of his books is available for free reading and or downloading on Project Gutenberg. You might want to check this out, as it is almost impossible to get any of his books anymore. <http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/16891>.



## In The News

Congratulations to our Trustee, Carole McCarty, who has been named the President of the *Illinois State Genealogical Society*. In addition to her duties as president, Carole has been working diligently on ISGS' upcoming 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary conference, 40 Years of Discovery, ([http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ilsgs/newsletter/May\\_June2008Newsletter.pdf](http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ilsgs/newsletter/May_June2008Newsletter.pdf)) to be held at the Fox Valley University and Business Center on the campus of Elgin Community College in Elgin, Illinois on October 18, 2008.

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The following is a notice from Vernon Goodrich. "I noticed my Website has been malfunctioning. Hopefully I have it straightened out. I took a different approach and placed everything on the index or home page and then put a hyperlink to each section. Seems to work a lot better. Find it at: <http://home.comcast.net/~vwgoodrich> or at <https://home.comcast.net/~vwgoodrich> (Notice the s in https). Thanks for your interest in genealogy and let me know if I can add to or improve my website."

~Vern Goodrich

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Here is another notice, this one from Gene C. Harris. "My new web site is up and running for the Goodrich families of Surrey County, VA: <http://booth.genecharris.com>

~ Gene C. Harris

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We have recently organized over 6,200 more pages of files from our huge Farrell Collection so we can now search them for look-ups, thanks to database compiler Matthew Goodrich. You can send a search request to Delores at [gfgenealogy@yahoo.com](mailto:gfgenealogy@yahoo.com). One name at a time, please, complete

with applicable vital information, in order to determine if the correct ancestor is found. We have, for instance, more than 50 David Goodriches in the Web Site files.

~Delores Goodrick Beggs

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There is a new USGenWeb site. Click on a state at the side and go on from there. This Project is non-commercial and fully committed to free genealogy access for everyone. This is where you will find the free information that used to be on Rootsweb.com: <http://www.usgenweb.org/>

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DNA Success! Y-DNA67 test results of two descendants of Thomas Goodrich of Virginia, b. 1614, match the large Goodrich I Lineage that includes Ensign William of Wethersfield. This new information has prompted a fresh look at when and how the brothers John and William Goodrich came to America (in this newsletter), and another at their English origins (watch for more in future.) It has been 20 years or so since the last intensive search for the past of our immigrants Ens. William and John Goodrich.

~Delores Goodrick Beggs

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DNA news: Researchers led by Dr. Hammer published the newly updated Y chromosome haplogroup tree in **Genome Research**. On Monday, May 5th, Family Tree DNA updated its haplogroup nomenclature to match that recommended by this publication, as well as all pages that contain haplogroups. This included our Goodrich Surname DNA Project records and each participant's haplogroup pages. See more information in the DNA article in this newsletter.

~by Delores Goodrick Beggs

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## Blogs

Are you looking for something new and unusual? Have you tried searching for genealogy Blogs? If you would like to look for genealogy blogs, try this Genealogy Blog Finder:

<http://blogfinder.genealogue.com/?sssdmh=dm13.162934>.

One blog we came across that actually mentions several Goodriches is <http://kinexxions.blogspot.com/search/label/Goodrich>, created by Becky Wiseman. Here are a couple of examples of what can be found on her Blog. The John Goodrich about whom she speaks is identified on page 93 of [The Goodrich Family in America](#).

***Tuesday, March 4, 2008***

### ***Roadblock – Abigail Price Goodrich***

In previous posts I wrote about two other troublesome female ancestors, *Ruth Dyer* and *Sally Church*. A third Roadblock in my research is Abigail Price, the wife of John Goodrich. They are my 6th great grandparents. A future post will provide more information about John but for now I'll just give his basic information. John was born August 21, 1754 in Wethersfield, Hartford County,



Connecticut Colony and was the son of Sarah Dewey and Benjamin Goodrich. While living in Hartford County, this John Goodrich was known as John Goodrich 3rd because he was the youngest of three men with the same name in the same area. When one of the older Johns died, this John then became John Jr. ... John and Abigail Price left Wethersfield, Connecticut about 1805 and moved to Franklin County, Ohio. Along with them came their 9 children, 8-28 years of age. The three oldest children were already married and had started families of their own. ... Mrs. Goodrich born March 1754, died January 18, 1827. Cause of death was Dropsy. Griswold burial list: Mrs. Goodrich wife of Deacon John Goodrich died the 18th & was buried the 20th Jan. 1827 (of Dropsy) in tier next east of Dr Calvin H. Case ... age 72 years I believe. There was also an entry for her husband: Griswold burial list: Deacon John Goodrich died the 29th & was buried the 30th July 1834 in tier next east & near the foot of Calvin H. Case grave.

Later in Becky's blog is the following:

***Gravestones Don't Lie – When Did Bela Die?***

*The gravestone for Bela Goodrich, my 5th Great Grandfather, is located in Adams Cemetery, Troy Township, Whitley County, Indiana and has the inscription "1776-1845" and "War of 1812". Neither the year of his birth nor the year of his death is correct!*

Becky goes on to explain her research to prove the birth and death dates of Bela, her 5<sup>th</sup> great grandfather.

As Becky said in a recent email to me, "I would definitely recommend blogging as a method of getting your research 'out there' for others to see. It is challenging to come up with something interesting to write about at times, but well worth the effort."

Regarding Blogs in general, please be aware, however, that there are fraudulent websites posing as genealogy sites, which ask for your credit card information and do not produce what they claim to offer. Check out the following website to learn more

[http://blog.eogn.com/eastmans\\_online\\_genealogy/2008/04/potentially-fra.html](http://blog.eogn.com/eastmans_online_genealogy/2008/04/potentially-fra.html)



**Success Stories**

If you have a Goodrich Genealogy Research Success Story you would like to share, please contact Kay Waterloo, Goodrich Family Association Newsletter Editor at [kmw328@aol.com](mailto:kmw328@aol.com).



**Conference calendar**

Jun 27-28, 2008 - Southern California Genealogy Jamboree (Burbank, Cal)  
<http://www.scgsgenealogy.com>

Jul 19, 2008 - Oregon Statewide Conference (Eugene, Oregon)  
<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~orgco2/>



Jul 29 - Aug 1, 2008 - BYU Conference on Family History (Provo, Utah)  
<http://ce.byu.edu/cw/cwgen/>

Aug 15-16 - Indiana Midwestern Roots (Indianapolis, Indiana)  
<http://www.indianahistory.org/midwesternroots/>

Sep 3-6, 2008 - FGS Conference (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania) <http://www.fgs.org>

Sep 13, 2008 - Ogden FHC Family History Conference (Ogden, Utah)

Sep 28 - Oct 5, 2008 - RootsMagic Cruise <http://www.RootsMagicCruise.com>

18 October 2008 Elgin IL - The Illinois State Genealogical Society invites you to celebrate our 40th anniversary at the fall conference, *40 Years of Discovery-Portals to the Future*. More info:  
[www.rootsweb.com/~ilsgs/](http://www.rootsweb.com/~ilsgs/)

Nov 8, 2008 - Silicon Valley Computer Genealogy Group (Santa Clara, Cal)  
<http://www.svpafug.org/>

Nov 14-15, 2008 - Mesa Arizona Family History Expo (Mesa, Arizona)  
[http://www.myancestorsfound.com/events/upcoming.php?event\\_id=43](http://www.myancestorsfound.com/events/upcoming.php?event_id=43)



### Correction

To the March 2008 article “Ashbel and Mary Ann Powell Goodrich.” The family is not Ashbel Goodrich LWC 4019 (thanks, Geoffrey). We are still searching for the correct Ashbel (born 24 June 1808 in Vermont) connection.



### Goodrich Family Association Research Resources – Some NEW Ones!

Lookups are now available in the DAR archives list, which includes 133 Goodrich women. Send request to [gfgenealogy@yahoo.com](mailto:gfgenealogy@yahoo.com) and include first name and surname (if spouse is not Goodrich).

A limited number of copies of the fine reprint of the 1889, ***The Goodrich Family in America*** edited by Lafayette Case, are still available at \$45.00 per book. This is a quality book with quality binding. To order your copy, send your check, made out to Dr. Joyce

Goodrich, to her at: Dr. Joyce Goodrich  
315 East 68<sup>th</sup> Street  
New York, NY 10021

***The Descendants of William Homer Goodrich of Wethersfield, Connecticut through his 6<sup>th</sup> Great Grandson William Homer Goodrich of Beerston, New York***, compiled by Victor Burton Goodrich, complete with four appendices is available by request, paper copies only. Contact: [gfagenealogy@yahoo.com](mailto:gfagenealogy@yahoo.com)

***Genealogy of Goodriches of Sharon, CT***, compiled by Lindy Allen from the Goodrich deeds and probate of Sharon, CT from the beginning of the records until about 1840. Available by request. Contact: [gfagenealogy@yahoo.com](mailto:gfagenealogy@yahoo.com). For more details, please see the article by Lindy Allen on page 29 of Volume 2, Issue 4, September 6, 2006 of the GFA Newsletter.

***Still Hill Cemetery, So. Glastonbury, CT*** Goodrich gravestone transcriptions and GPS taken 02 July 2007.

Look-ups are available for the following:

***George W. Farrell***; indexed collection.

***Victor B. Goodrich, Delaware County, NY***; notes

***Descendants of William Isaac Goodrich***; manuscript of Carl Hoffstedt

***Zebulon Goodrich, New York & Pennsylvania Records; records of V & J Goodrich***

***The Descendants of William Goodridge who Settled in Watertown, MA in 1634, Traced Through His Son Jeremiah***

***Descendants of Thomas Goodrich born 1614 in York, England and died 1679 in Rappahanock, Virginia. His daughter Anne Goodrich married Colonel John Lightfoot of Culpeper Co., Virginia***

***Isle of Wight County Virginia Deeds 1750-1782 by William Lindsay Hopkins, Iberian Publishing Company, Athens, Georgia, 1995***

***Goodrich Family in Oregon, Ancestors and Descendants of Carmi Goodrich Who Crossed the Plains by Covered Wagon to Oregon Territory in 1845 with Short Records of Allied Families***, Van Valin, Minnie D., compiler, 123 pages.

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**\*NEW** ***The Story of Milton Junction, Fortnightly Club and Bowen Printing Co., Milton Junction, WI 1951***

**\*NEW** ***The Ricker Compilation of Vital Records of Early Connecticut, Ricker, Jacquelyn Ladd, Genealogical Publishing Company, Baltimore, Maryland***

**\*NEW** ***Early Settlers of New York State, Their Ancestors and Descendants, Foley, Janet Wethy, Vol., 1 of 9, Genealogical Publishing Company, 1934***

One name only per request; must be accompanied by known facts about the ancestor. Send request to [gfagenealogy@yahoo.com](mailto:gfagenealogy@yahoo.com).



## Seeking Information

We continue to seek Goodrich ancestry information to add to our special Virginia database. Please include your sources. Thanks again to those who have previously contributed information to help replace information that was lost in the Civil War and courthouse fires. Send your information to Delores at [gfagenealogy@yahoo.com](mailto:gfagenealogy@yahoo.com)

We are also seeking Goodrich ancestor information, complete with sources, that is not included, and/or carries the families to newer generations than the eight compiled in *The Goodrich Family in America*, edited by Lafayette Wallace Case, M. D., Chicago: Fergus Printing Company, 1889. Send to [gfgenealogy@yahoo.com](mailto:gfgenealogy@yahoo.com).



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Perchance 'tis pride, but he who reads  
Of these who did and dared and died –  
Then be it love or be it pride,  
There is a link that seems to hold  
Us bound to ancestors of old.

*~Author unknown*



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